

MCCC Education, Communications and Outreach (ECO)

Stakeholder Recommendations - 2021 Convenings (as of 2.15.21)

Organization	Mission
MD Senate, Equity and Inclusion Committee	Ensure Equity and Inclusion in Legislative actions
Montgomery County Green Bank	The Montgomery County Green Bank is a publicly-chartered nonprofit dedicated to accelerating affordable energy efficiency and clean energy investment in Montgomery County, MD. The Green Bank partners with the private sector to build a more diverse, equitable, and inclusively prosperous, resilient, sustainable, and healthy community. Our work supports Montgomery County's goal to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions.
Leadership for Educational Equity	Leadership for Educational Equity is a nonprofit leadership development organization inspiring & supporting a network of civic leaders to end the injustice of educational inequity.
NeighborWorks America (including community residents)	Creates opportunities for people to live in affordable homes, improve their lives and strengthen communities.
Annie Casey Foundation	The Casey Foundation focuses on strengthening families, building stronger communities and ensuring access to opportunity, because children need all three to succeed. The Casey Foundation advances research and solutions to overcome the barriers to success, help communities demonstrate what works and influence decision makers to invest in strategies based on solid evidence.
Exelon	One of the largest utilities and energy delivery companies with \$34b in revenue; HG Home BGE Middle River, MD, and BGE HQ, Baltimore MD
NAACP Chapters	Broad platform that includes Federal Advocacy, Climate and Environmental Justice, Economic Opportunity, Criminal Justice Reform
Greater Washington Urban League	The Greater Washington Urban League (GWUL or the League) is on a mission to increase the economic and political empowerment of historically vulnerable and diverse populations. For 80 years, the League has stood on society's frontlines as well as in the trenches serving as a safety net and facilitator of opportunity in Washington, DC and Montgomery County and Prince George's County, Maryland

Unidos US	<p>Since 1968, UnidosUS—formerly known as NCLR—has remained a trusted, nonpartisan voice for Latinos.</p> <p>UnidosUS serves the Hispanic community through research, policy analysis, and state and national advocacy efforts, as well as in our program work in communities nationwide.</p>
National Coalition for Asian Pacific Americans Community Development	Promote affordable housing, financial stability, and healthy communities
March of Dimes	March of Dimes is a United States nonprofit organization that works to improve the health of mothers and babies.
Maryland HBCUs (Coppin, Bowie, UMD Eastern Shore, Morgan) Howard University Radio covers listeners in DMV	For a century after the end of slavery in the United States in 1865, most colleges and universities in the Southern States prohibited all African Americans from attending, while institutions in other parts of the country regularly employed quotas to limit admissions of blacks. HBCUs were founded primarily to address exclusion of African Americans in higher education. However, today, HBCUs serve students of all racial and ethnic identities.
Targeted Media	Promote event by partnering with urban radio stations, social media influencers, and other channels
Faith-based institutions (So MD example)	Calvert Interfaith Council, St. Peter's Parish, All Saints Episcopal Church
Health Officers	Many Health Offices in Maryland have added racial equity statements, recognizing the impact of systemic and institutional racism on health outcomes. These leaders play an important role in helping to address the impact of climate and environmental inequity on health outcomes as well.

Faith-based organizations- Environmental Consideration

North

Maryland Presbyterian Church: Towson

Rev. David Norse: dnorse@mpchurch.org

Rev. Mary Gaut: program@gwipl.org

Newborn Community of Faith Church: Baltimore

Rev. Darriel Harris: admin@newbornchurch.org

South

The Episcopal Diocese Of Maryland (Eastern/North and Southern)

Bishop Eugene Sutton: bishop esutton@episcopalmaryland.org

Forestville New Redeemer Baptist Church

Rev. Nathaniel B Thomas: revnateb.thomas4@gmail.com

Western

St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Rockville

Monica Ludwig, Director: monica.ludwig@stpatrickadw.org

Christ Episcopal church, Rockville

Rev. Carol Cole Flanagan. Administrator: Judith Schneider
jschneider@cecrockville.org

Eastern

Waugh Chapel United Methodist Church, Cambridge

Rev. James C. Whitaker, Pastor: Jcwhitaker2015@gmail.com

Jesus House Eastern Shore, Salisbury

Pastor Bolaji Okulate: info@jhes.org

Central

St. Margaret's Episcopal Church, Annapolis

Rev. W Peter Mayer: <mailto:info@st-margarets.org>

Temple Beth Shalom, Arnold

Rabbi Ari Goldstein: rabbi.ari.goldstein@gmail.com

Asbury Broadneck United Methodist Church, Annapolis

Rev. Stephen Andrew Tillett: admin@asburybroadneck.org

Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC) Organizations

And/Or Organizations Focused on Environmental Justice

National Groups

- BlackAFinSTEM [Twitter](#) [Instagram](#)
- Outdoor Afro [Website](#) [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#) [Instagram](#)
- Diversify Outdoors [Website](#) [Instagram](#)
- The Black Outdoors [Website](#) [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#) [Instagram](#)
- African American Nature & Parks Experience [Facebook](#)
- People of the Global Majority in the Outdoors, Nature and Environment [Website](#)
- Greening Youth Foundation [Website](#)
- Black Girls Run [Website](#)
- MobilizeGreen [Website](#) [Facebook](#)
- Corazón Latino [Website](#)
- GreenLatinos [Website](#) [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#)
- Latino Outdoors [Website](#) [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#) [Instagram](#)
- Tree Equity (American Forests program) [Website](#)
- WeGotNext [Website](#) [Instagram](#)
- Unlikely Hikers [Website](#) [Instagram](#)
- National Black Environmental Justice Network [Website](#)
- Center for Diversity and the Environment [Website](#)
- Center for Health, Environment and Justice [Website](#)
- Center for Race, Poverty and the Environment [Website](#)
- Green For All [Website](#)
- Greenaction for Health and Environmental Justice [Website](#)
- Equity, Inclusion and Justice (Sierra Club) [Website](#)
- Green 2.0 [Website](#)

uLocal Groups

- Baltimore Racial Justice Action (Consultant for Organizations) [Website](#)
- Baltimore Green Space [Website](#) [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#) [Instagram](#)
- Baltimore Tree Trust [Website](#) [Facebook](#) [Instagram](#)
- Backyard Basecamp [Website](#) [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#) [Instagram](#)
- EcoLatinos [Website](#) [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#)
- Virginia Environmental Justice Collaborative [Website](#)
- Community Engagement, Environmental Justice and Health (CEEJH) laboratory at the University of Maryland [Website](#) [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#)
- Dreaming Out Loud [Website](#) [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#) [Instagram](#)
- Civic Works [Website](#) [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#) [Instagram](#)
- CHISPA (Maryland League of Conservation Voters program) [Website](#)
- Design Virtue [Website](#)
- Maryland Black Mayors [Website](#)
- The Green Scheme [Website](#) [Facebook](#)
- STEAM Onward [Website](#) [Facebook](#)
- Earth Conservation Corps [Website](#) [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#) [Instagram](#)
- Green Muslims [Website](#) [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#) [Instagram](#)
- Black Girls Dive [Website](#) [Facebook](#)
- Groundswell [Website](#)

Articles/media:

- Five Ways to Make the Outdoors More Inclusive <https://www.theatlantic.com/sponsored/rei-2018/five-ways-to-make-the-outdoors-more-inclusive/3019/>
- Diversity in the Great Outdoors: Is Everyone Welcome in America's Parks and Public Lands? <https://www.resourcesmag.org/common-resources/diversity-in-the-great-outdoors-is-everyone-welcome-in-americas-parks-and-public-lands/>
- How Green Groups Became So White and What to Do About It <https://e360.yale.edu/features/how-green-groups-became-so-white-and-what-to-do-about-it>
- Black Environmentalists Talk About Climate and Anti-Racism <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/06/03/climate/black-environmentalists-talk-about-climate-and-anti-racism.html>
- I'm a black climate expert. Racism derails our efforts to save the planet. <https://www.washingtonpost.com/outlook/2020/06/03/im-black-climate-scientist-racism-derails-our-efforts-save-planet/>
- Why Every Environmentalist should be Anti-Racist <https://www.vogue.com/article/why-every-environmentalist-should-be-anti-racist>
- 'Black Birders Week' and the Politics of Race and Green Space

<https://www.wypr.org/post/black-birders-week-and-politics-race-and-green-space>

- Can the Environmental Moment Address American Racism?
<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/can-the-environmental-movement-address-american-racism/>
- Unequal Impact: The Deep Links Between Racism and Climate Change
<https://e360.yale.edu/features/unequal-impact-the-deep-links-between-inequality-and-climate-change>
- How to queer ecology and the environmental movement <https://grist.org/article/2011-03-28-sex-geese-and-the-queering-of-ecology/>
- It's time to build a truly inclusive outdoors <https://www.audubon.org/news/its-time-build-truly-inclusive-outdoors>
- Intersectional Environmentalism: Why Environmental Justice is Essential for a Sustainable Future
<https://www.thegoodtrade.com/features/environmental-justice>
- Cultivating Hip-Hop Forestry to Grow the Environmental Movement
<https://www.wypr.org/post/cultivating-hip-hop-forestry-grow-environmental-movement-0>
- The Melanin Base Camp guide to outdoor allyship <https://www.melaninbasecamp.com/trip-reports/2019/7/7/mbc-guide-to-outdoor-allyship>
- The Inseparable Link Between Climate Change And Racial Justice
<https://www.npr.org/2020/06/16/878941532/the-inseparable-link-between-climate-change-and-racial-justice>
- Outdoor Afro: Busting Stereotypes That Black People Don't Hike Or Camp
<https://www.npr.org/sections/codeswitch/2015/07/12/421533481/outdoor-afro-busting-stereotypes-that-blacks-dont-hike-or-camp>
- A conversation about representation and inclusion in the environmental movement
<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/a-conversation-about-representation-and-inclusion-in-the-environmental-movement/>
- Climate change is also a racial justice problem
<https://www.washingtonpost.com/climate-solutions/2020/06/29/climate-change-racism/>
- Environmental groups say they are committing to racial equity. What does that mean?
<https://why.org/articles/environmental-groups-say-theyre-committing-to-racial-equity-what-does-that-mean/>
- Whose environment is it? <https://www.wypr.org/post/whose-environment-it>
- We can't solve the climate crisis unless Black Lives Matter <https://time.com/5864705/climate-change-black-lives-matter/>
- Latinos are super green. When will environmental groups realize?
<https://www.motherjones.com/environment/2020/02/latinos-are-super-green-when-will-environmental-groups-realize/>
- Read up on the links between racism and the environment

<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2020/06/05/climate/racism-climate-change-reading-list.html>

Other relevant information:

- Report - The State of Diversity in Environmental Organizations: Mainstream NGOs, Foundations & Government Agencies <https://www.diversegreen.org/the-challenge/>
- Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Justice Guide for the Chesapeake Bay watershed https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5942af072994ca6253840fc1/t/5d07dc6a2436580001380394/1560796270326/CB+Watershed+DEIJ+Guide_May+2019.pdf
- Choose Clean Water Coalition Diversity Toolkit <https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5942af072994ca6253840fc1/t/5c86d5398165f51e690b51d5/1552340282089/5-3-18+Diversity+Toolkit.pdf>
- Environmental justice disparities in Maryland's watershed restoration programs <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S1462901114001634>
- EJ Screen: Chesapeake [Tool Tutorial](#)
- Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Justice Toolkit: PA Land Trust Association <https://conserveland.org/diversity-equity-inclusion-justice/>
- Patapsco Heritage Greenway Latinx Community & Engagement Toolkit: <https://patapsco.org/2018/10/09/community-outreach-and-engagement-toolkit-an-introduction-by-camilla-sandoval/>
- Check the Weather: News, Events, Arts and Culture for Environmental Justice <http://www.checktheweather.net/>
- <https://www.globalcitizen.org/en/content/black-mothers-climate-change-high-risk-report/>

Convening Objectives

1. Educate Maryland residents about the urgency of acting to reduce the impacts of climate change
2. Listen to concerns of key stakeholders, including residents and activists of the disproportionate impact of climate and environmental injustices on their daily lives
3. Update the community on the goals of the MCCC and the Working Groups
4. Explore partnerships and strategic alliances to promote healthy climate practices in business and personal lives

5. Leverage events' potential to identify new minority members to contribute to MCCC efforts based on lived experiences and desire to lead and influence change